Public Notice



Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

September 2009

Application for State of Washington Water Quality Certification and Coastal Zone Management Act Consistency

NOTE:

This is the second public notice issued for this project. Stark Family Trust Inc. re-applied for certification of this project on August 25, 2009. The project scope has <u>not</u> changed.

Interested parties are hereby notified that the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has received an application to perform work in waters of the United States as described below.

Ecology will review the work pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, with applicable provisions of State water pollution control laws and the Coastal Zone Management Act.

This public notice is consistent with the requirements of Section 401 of the federal Clean Water Act and Chapter 173-225 of Washington Administrative Code. This notice is only intended to inform all interested parties of the proposed projects and to seek comments from the public, local, state, federal, and tribal agencies. It does not indicate approval of the proposed projects by any state agency.

Project Name:

Airport Business Complex

Public Notice Date: 9/16/09

Comment Period Ends: 10/6/09

Comments should be sent to:
Department of Ecology
SEA Program
Federal Project Coordinator
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Location

Airport Way, Bellingham, wetlands, Whatcom County, WRIA 1, S. 14, T. 38N, R. 2E.

Purpose

Provide commercial facilities in the vicinity of Bellingham International Airport.

Work

Fill 1.33 acres of jurisdictional and 2.52 acres of isolated wetlands.

Mitigation includes re-creating, rehabilitation, and enhancement of 12 acres of off-site area in the Squalicum Creek Water Basin, in the City of Bellingham's Shoreline Management Area.

Comment and Review Period

Ecology is requesting comments from the public, state and local agencies, tribes, and other interested parties to evaluate the impacts of each proposed activity.

Anyone wanting to present their views about this project may do so by providing written comments within 21 days of the publication date of this notice. Conventional mail or e-mail comments on this public notice will be accepted and made part of the record.

Ecology will evaluate all the comments received to determine whether to approve, approve with conditions, or deny a certification for the proposed work.